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Barbadoes, Octob. 31.

ON the 27th of the laſt Month Her Majeſty's Ship the *Blackwall*, Captain *Samuel Martin* Commander, brought in here a *French* Privateer of 12 Guns, and 120 Men, which he took in this Latitude, as alſo an *Iriſh* Ship bound hither, which had been taken the day before by the ſaid Privateer.

Copenhagen, Jan. 15. *N. S.* Meſſieurs *Rantzau* and *Harboe*, two Majors-General, who command the *Daniſh* Forces in the *Netherlands*, are lately arrived here from thence. Major General *Gerſdorf* is appointed to go to *Hungary*, to command the Forces of this Crown in the Emperor's Service, in the room of the Young Count of *Raventlau*, who is recalled from that Employment. It is ſaid, that the King intends to make a Journey to *Norway* in the Spring. We hear that the *Saxon* Priſoners lately brought to *Sweden* are to be ſent to *Holſtein*, at the Requeſt of the Adminiſtrator of that Dutchy, to be formed into two Regiments of Foot.

From the Imperial Head Quarter at Oſtiglia, *Jan.* 14 The 27th paſt a Party of the Enemy paſſed over the *Secchia* above *Bondanella*; But General *Trautſmanſdorf*, to whom the Count *de Staremberg* has left the Command of the Imperial Forces in theſe Parts, being thereabouts with a Detachment of Horſe, ſoon obliged the Enemy to retire. Soon after the ſame Party, having been joined by a ſtrong Detachment both of Horſe and Foot, paſſed over the River a ſecond time below *Bondanella*, and fell upon a Battalion of the Regiment of *Bagni*, commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel *Hofman*, who at firſt was obliged to give ground, but upon a ſecond Attack repulſed the Enemy with ſuch Bravery, that they were forced to retire with Precipitation, leaving 100 of their Men dead upon the Place, and a Lieutenant and 7 Men more taken Priſoners; on our ſide a Major and 14 private Men were killed, and two were wounded. We hear the Enemy are intrenching themſelves near *Quiſtello*.

Baſle, January 19. They write from *Turin*, That the Count *de Staromberg* joined the Duke of *Savoy* on the fourteenth Inſtant with the beſt part of the Imperial Army under his Command, after having in his March had ſeveral ſucceſsful Encounters with the *French*, particularly at *Voghera*, where, tho' the latter give out that the *Germans* had 1000 Men killed, wounded, and taken Priſoners, we are aſſured their Loſs was inconſiderable. Letters from *Savoy* ſay, the Marquis *de Sales*, with the Body of the Duke of *Savoy*'s Forces under his Command, is marched towords the Valley of *Aouſta*; and that the *French* Forces under the Marſhal *de la Feuillade* are drawing towards *Montmeillan*.

Coningsberg, Jan. 18. Letters from *Warſaw* ſay, the Cardinal Primate was come thither, as were alſo a Commiſſioner from the King of *Sweden*, and the Chief of the Confederated Nobility of *Poland* and *Pruſſia*, in order to confer together upon the Meaſures to be taken in the preſent Juncture. General *Reinſchild*, with a Body of *Swediſh* Forces, is marching towards the Weywodſhip of *Cracow*; and a Party of 300 of them is advanced to *Pultau*, where they exact great Contributions.

Nancy, Jan. 24. Letters from *Paris* give an Account, That the Marſhals of *Villeroy*, *Boufflers*, *Vauban*, *Tallard*. *Villars* and *Harcourt*, were expected at Court, to be preſent at a great Council of War, which was to be held there, for concerting the Meaſures for carrying on the War the next Campaign: That the Miniſtry there was employed in framing new Projects to raiſe Money for that Service; and, among others, had agreed to erect new Offices in each Dioceſe, to regulate the Proportions which the Clergy are to pay towards the Free Gift uſually granted by them every year; by the Sale of which Employments they hoped to raiſe about 700000 Crowns. The *Camiſars* continue to make Excurſions; and it is ſaid the *French* King has reſolved to augment the Forces employed to ſuppreſs them; and por that purpoſe has countermanded part of thoſe which are deſigned to be ſent as Auxiliaries to *Spain*. The Marſhal *de Montrevel*, who commanded the King's Forces in the *Cevennes*, is recalled, and the Grand Prior is to command there in his room.

Francfort, Jan. 27. The Diet of the Circle of the *Upper Rhine* is aſſembled here, to agree upon the neceſſary Meaſures to be taken for bringing their Forces into the Field early the next Campaign. The Elector Palatine arrived the 14th Inſtant at *Erffurt*, and the next day continued his Journey to *Vienna*, intending to take his way by *Leipſich*, where he was to arrive the 28th Inſtant. We have now a very hard Froſt; and the Landgrave of *Heſſe* being apprehenſive leſt the *French* ſhould take this opportunity of making an Attempt upon *Rhinfeld*, he has augmented that Gariſon to 1500 Men, and cantoned 3 Regiments thereabours, who, upon occaſion, may be drawn together under the Cannon of that Place in leſs than two hours time. A *French* Party-man, with about 20 Soldiers, and ſome Boors, endeavoured lately to paſs over the *Rhine* between *Drienhauſen* and *Hambach*, but by that time they were got half way over, the Ice broke, and moſt of them periſhed. We hear the like has happened to another *French* Party between *Spire* and *Worms*. Letters from *Swabia* give an Account, that the Marſhal *de Marſin* returned the 17th Inſtant from his Expedition on the other ſide the *Danube*, having poſſeſſed himſelf of *Wendingen*, *Pappenheim*, and *Monheim*. It was ſaid he had a Deſign upon *Nordlingen*; but that was prevented by the Duke of *Wurtimberg*, who had got together a Body of 6 or 7000 Men to oppoſe him. The Marquis *de Blainerille*, who was marched out of *Ulm* with another Detachment, is alſo returned thither. The

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